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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL,......5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND,......1,000,000 Dollars.

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AND A HALF per Part To be had from Meanin Laws, Chawford & Co., Hongkong and Shanghal; and Mesers KELLY & WALSH, Shanghal. Mongkong, March L. 1878.

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Houghong, Japuary 21, 1878.

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A MIXTURE highly approved by Smokers. NEW SADDLES.

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SILBER TABLE LAMPS,

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ENVELOPES. A BROADWOOD'S Semi-Grand PIANO, For Sale or Hire.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. Hongkong, April 12, 1878.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from H. M. Naval Storekeeper, to sell by Public Auction, on THE DEPARTURE of the Company's

TUESDAY.

the 16th day of April, 1878, at 11 o'clock a.m., at H. M. NAVAL YARD, -SUNDRY CONDEMNED NAVAL and VICTUALLING STORES, Com-

prising :-Old Wrought Iron, Steel, &c. Hoses, Leather, Shoes, Flannel, Serge, Drill, Blankets, &c. Beef and Pork, Flour, Chocolate,

Raisins, Biscuit Dust, &c. TERMS OF BALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7 The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer,

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Government Auctioneer. Hongkong, April 8, 1878.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs Thompson & HIND, to sell by Public Auction,

THURSDAY the 18th day of April, 1878, at their Store, Queen's Road Central, at Noon,-

THE WHOLE OF THEIR STOCK OF DRAPERY GOODS, FIXTURES, de, de, de. J. M. GUEDES, JR.,

Auctioneer. Hongkong, April 9, 1878.

Intimations.

HONGKONG & CHINA GAS COM-PANY, LIMITED.

TURING the TEMPORARY ASSENCE of the Undersigned, Mr THOMAS DANIEL COX PARKER is appointed Acting Manager.

A. NEWTON, Manager. Hongkong, March 20, 1878.

TOR STORAGE in GODOWNS, Praya Central.

Apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, March 26, 1878.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

HENRY B. HYDE, President. J. W. ALEXANDER, Vice-President. SAMUEL BORROWE, Secretary. A. A. HAYES, JR., General Manager, for China and Japan.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE, 120, BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong, China, for the above Company, are prepared to Accept Risks at greatly reduced rates and upon terms very favourable to the assured. For full information and particulars,

OLYPHANT & Co.,

Intimations.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S. COMPANY.

8, 8, "GAELIC," for San Francisco, &c., is POSTPONED until SATUR

DAY, the 13th Instant, at 8 o'clock p.m. G. B. EMORY, Hongkong, April 9, 1878.

CHINA FAMINE RELIEF FUND. THE AMOUNT COLLECTED to Date aggregates \$12,230.89. Gentlemen desirous of Contributing are requested to forward their Subscriptions to T. JACKSON, Honorary Treasurer, at the Honggood and Shanghat Bank.

Hongkong, April 5, 1878. DENTAL NOTICE.

TAR ROGERS begs to intimate to his Friends that he is about to visit SHANGHAI, and will be absent from Hongkong from April 1st to June 15th.

STANDARD PERE OFFICE, LONDON

bongkong, March 4, 1878.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agenta to the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$40,000, on Buildings or on Goods stored therein.

DISCOUNT 20 % VOGEL HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

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Hougkong, August 24, 1877.

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Intimations.

PIANOFORTE TUNING. MR. A. HAHN, begs to announce to his Patrons that he has changed his Residence from Praya East to No. 19, HOLLIWOOD ROAD, where Orders may be leit, or at Messrs. Lane, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, April 8, 1878. mj8

PIANOFORTE TUNING.

TAR. J. BUOHANAN, BANDMASTER of Her Majesty's 74th Highlanders, begs to announce to the Public of Hongkong that he will undertake to TUNE PIANOFORTES during his stay in the

Address to Murray Barracks. Hongkong, March 14, 1878.

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STORES Of the best quality and at the shortest notice. Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

Shipping.

Steamers. FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND

CALCUTTA. The Steamship "ARRATOON APCAR, Capt. A. B. MACTAVISH, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 13th Instant

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 8, 1878. FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA. The Steamship

M. I. BUTCHER, Commander, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY Next, the 13th Instant, at 3 o'clock p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, April 8, 1878. FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Steamship

Capt. S. Ashton, will be de-spatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 14th Instant, at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, April 8, 1878.

FOR SINGAPORE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE. (Calling off the usual Coast Ports, and taking through Cargo and Passengers

for New Zealand.) The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "BOWEN" will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 24th Instant, at

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Hongkong, April 8, 1878.

FOR SHANGHAL

The Steamship "VIKING" will be despatched as above on or about the 16th Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Hongkong, April 10, 1878. NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship Comdt. ROLLAND, will be de-spatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French

H. DU POUEY. Hongkong, April 10, 1878.

MOTICE, COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAIS.

The Company's Steamship Dougdt, Gauvain, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe. H, by POUEY,

Houghong, April 10, 1878.

shipping.

Steamers.

MONTHLY SERVICE: FOR PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,

AND THE USUAL AUSTRALIAN PORTS. One of the Australasian Steam Navigation Company Steamers will leave this on the 24th Instant, at Noon.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., Agents.

For Freight or Passage, apply to middle

Sailing Vessels.

Hongkong, April 3, 1878.

FOR MANILA. The A 1 Spanish Bark HORMAZA, Master, will load for the above Port, and have quick

despatch. For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, April 10, 1878.

FOR VICTORIA (VANCOUVER'S ISLAND). The A 1 American Bark "QUICKSTEP,"

BABNABY, Master, will load for the above Port, and have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, March 26, 1878. FOR PORTLAND (OREGON) The A 1 American Ship

RUSSELL & Co.

RUSSELL & Co.

HARRIMAN, Master, will load for the above Port, and have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, March 26, 1878. FOR YLOILO. The Spanish Brig "VILLA DE RIVADABIA,"

CAMUS, Master, will have immemediate despatch as above. For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co.

> FOR MANILA. The Spanish Bark

For Freight, &c., apply to REMEDIOS & Co.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 American Bark "P. J. CARLETON," AMESBURY, Master, will load here for the above Port, and

FOR LONDON. The A 1 American ship "ELOANO,

BARNABY, Master, will have Squick despatch for the above For Freight, apply to YOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, April 1, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK. The 4.1 German Ship JACHERS, Master, will load here as above. For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, March 25, 1878.

FOR PORTLAND (OREGON). The A 1 American Ship DWIGHT, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have

YOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

quick despatch. For Freight or Passage, apply to VOCEL HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, March 28, 1878.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 American Bark The A 1 American Bark

B. F. WATSON,

HAWKINS, Master, will load have

for the above Port, and will have Immediate despatch

For Freight, apply to VOCEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, January 80, 1879.

Hongkong, April 11, 1878. "CONCHITA." ARIAZ, Master, will have quick despatch for the above Port. Hongkong, April 3, 1878. will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, April 8, 1878.

#### Notices of Firms.

NOTIOE.

TR. THEODOR JOHANNES EN. GELBREOHT VON PUSTAU has been authorized to Sign our Firm per procuration.

WM. PUSTAU & Co. Hongkong, March 22, 1878.

NOTICE.

TAR. HORATIO GAY JAMES Was admitted a Partner in our Firm on the 1st January, 1878. GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, January 5, 1878.

NOTICE.

HAVE This Day established myself at this Port as a MERCHANT and COM-MISSION AGENT, under the Style or Firm of GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., who will henceforward conduct the Agency of AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

G. R. STEVENS. Hongkong, December 29, 1877.

NOTICE. THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. EDWARD CUNNINGHAM in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on the 81st December last.

RUSSELL & Co. China, March 8, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the Undersigned in the Chinese Mail, 華字日報 (Wah Tsez Yat Po), CEASED from the 1st August, 1877, but Debts prior to that Date will be received and pald by him.

ORUN AYIN. Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE TN Reference to the above, the Undersigned has LEASED the Chinese Mail from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged the services of Mr Leong Yook Chun. as Translator and General Manager of the newspaper, which under its new regime will be found to be, as hitherto, an excellent medium for advertising, especially

KONG CHIM, Lesses of the Hongkong Chinese Mail Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

as the Manager is able to devote his whole

attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

NOTICE.

TR. CHARLES von BOSE has been authorized to Sign our Firm per procuration at Canton.

CARLOWITZ & Co. Canton, April 2, 1878.

To Let.

TO LET. STORIED DWELLING. THREE HOUSE, No. 115, Queen's Road East, (Spring Gardens). Rent Moderate. Apply to

D. NOWROJEE, Hongkong Hotel.

Hongkong, April 4, 1878.

TO LET.

THE DWELLING HOUSE, "Greenmount," at present in the occupation of J. FAIRBAIRN, Esq. Possession after 15th April.

Apply to GILMAN & Co.

Hongkong, March 18, 1878.

TO LET.

THE Dwelling House No. 6, Mosque Terrace, possession from 15th April Three Offices, in Club Chambers. Apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, March 4, 1878.

TO LET. TTOUSE No. 9, Queen's Road Central, with Godowns attached. House No. 2, Seymour Terrace.

# Intimations.

Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

ESTATE OF DODD & Co.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

T the MEETING held on the 12th Instant at Mesars Dopp & Co.'s OFFICES, the following RESOLUTIONS were carried :-1. That the affairs of the said Dodd

& Co. shall be Liquidated by arrangement, and not in Bankruptcy. 2. That FRANCIS CHOMLEY be, and he is hereby appointed Trustee. 8. That H. ABENDROTH and EDMUND Pre be, and they are hereby appointed a

Committee of Inspection. All PAYMENTS on account of the Left Halphong on 7th inst. and at Holhow Estate, it is requested, will be Paid to the on 8th. Left Holhow on the 10th. Light order of the Undersigned.

> F. CHOMLEY, Trustes for the Estate of Dopp & Co.

Amoy, January 14, 1878.

NOTIOE

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.

FOURTH RETURN of CAPITAL At the Rate of TERKE TAKLS per SHARE will be made to Shareholders of Record on the 1st April, Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on MONDAY, the 5th April.

Warrants will then be delivered by the Undersigned to Shareholders, or their lawful representatives, on presentation of Share Certificates for Endorsement. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be ULOSED from the 1st to the 8th

April inclusive By Order,

RUSSELL & Co., Liquidators

Philippel, Narch 49, 1878,

#### Notices to Consignees.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES,

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POURY. Agent.

Ex "Pei Ho." Mr C. Grossmann, G (in diamond), No. 7367, 1 case Marselles. Ex "Anadyr." PO Messrs Adamson, Bell & ) --- from Co., 27 cases Colour, .....

Ex "Djemnah."

Madras. WMS W. MacG. Smith, 1 case Hongkong, April 10, 1878.

A Order 210 bags Sharp Stones,

# To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

808 S. S. "MACTAN," FROM MANILA. CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the abovenamed Steamer are hereby notified that their Cargo is being landed and stored in the Godowns of the Undersigned at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, April 12, 1878.

# Not Responsible for Debts.

Motesther the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:-

Quickster, American barque, Captain Barnaby .- Captain.

NORTH STAR, American ship, Captain J. U. Thomson.-Order. ARGYLL, British steamer, Captain D. Scott.-Jardine, Matheson & Co.

ANTIOCH, American barque, Capt. W. B. Seymore, - Chinese. LADAGO, American ship, Captain C. B. Pierce. - Captain,

Dago, British steamer, Capt. Haddook. -Meyer & Co. FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE, British barque, Captain A. McIntyre.-Arnhold, Karberg

PARSEE, British steamer, Capt. Sergent. -Melchers & Co. DEVANA, British barque, Capt. William

May. - Melchers & Co. LADY PENRHYN, British barque, Capt. E. Owen.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.

### BHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. April 11, Zamboanga, Spanish steamer, 651, Aranguren, Haiphong April 6, Paddy. -LANDSTEIN & Co. April 11, Conquest, British steamer, 817, Scott, Haiphong April 7, and Holhow 10,

General.-Kwong Lee Yuen. April 12, State of Alabama, British str., 1955, A. Richie, Saigon April 7, Mails and Rice. - JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. April 12, Mactan, Spanish steamer, 371, ap18 A. Erquiaga, Manila April 9, General.-

> RUSSELL & Co. April 12, Lady Penrhyn, British barque, 815. E. Owen, Sydney Feb. 15, Coal.-Vocel, Hagedorn & Co.

DEPARTURES. Apr. 12, Albay, for Swatow, &c. 12, Bellona, for Saigon. 12, H.M.S. Growler, for Pakhol.

OLEARED. Maria Ravano, for Manila. Norna, for Swatow. Kalaja, for Batavia, Dago, for Niigata.

Karo, for Shanghal. Marie Louise, for Quinhon. Paradies, for Bangkok.

Passengers.

ARRIVED. Per State of Alabama, from Saigon, Messrs Taro Ando (Japanese Consul), John Pitman, G. Stanton, M. D. Ezekiel and J. Shaw, and 20 Chinese. Per Zamboanga, from Halphong, 8 Euro-

peans, and 14 Chinese. Per Conquest, from Halphong & Holhow, 86 Chinese. Per Mactan, from Manila, 5 Cabin and

DEPARTED. Per Albay, for Talwanfoo, Mr J. G. T.

Hassell; Mr H. A. Giles, for Amoy. SHIPPING REPORTS. The British steamer Conquest reports

N.E. winds and foggy weather. The Spanish steamer Macian reports: Foggy and rainy weather with N.E. winds

throughout the passage. The British barque Lady Penrhyn reports: Had great deal of calms and baffling winds to the Southward of the Equator. In the North Pacific light Easterly winds to port, were detained two days off the port on account of the fog.

### POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS. MAILS will close :-

For SWATOW .--Per Norma, at 7.80 a.m. To-morrow, the 18th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For YOKOHAMA. Per Gaelle, at 2.80 p.m. To-morrow, the 18th inst. For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, AND

CALCUTTA Per Arratoon Apcar and Moray, at 2.80 p.m., on Saturday, the 13th inst. For BWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW .-Per Yesro, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 13th inst.

For SAIGON .-Per Parece, at 6 p.m., on Tuesday, the

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS. MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet Gaelic will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 18th Instant, with Malls for Japan. San Francisco, and the United States; which will be closed as follows :-2 r.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Countries) may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage until the time of departure. Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies (except the Bahamas and Hayti), Costa Rica, Honduras, Monte Video, New Granada, Paraguay, and Uruguay can no longer be sent by this route.

Hongkong, April 9, 1878. MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-

The French Contract Packet Peiho will Galle, Australia, New land, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, chelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suez, and Alexandria. This is the best St. Helens, and Ascension.

Letters may also be forwarded to India by this Packet. The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c. :-

Wednesday, 17th inst.which remains open all night. Hongkong, April 4, 1878.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET .--The English Contract Packet Kachgar will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, do., on SATURDAY, the 20th Instant. The following will be the hours of closing

the Mails, &c. :-Friday, 19th Instant. 5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. 6 P.M., Post Office closes except the NIGHT Box, which remains open all night. Saturday, 20th Instant. 7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale

Posting of all correspondence. 10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases. 10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted with LATE FEE of 18 cents extra Postage till

entirely. Via Brindish or to Singapore, may hot." be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage,

11.50 A.M., when the Mail is finally the Rising Sun" never allowed fung-Hongkong, April 11, 1878.

MAILS BY THE TORBES STRAITS PACKET .-The Australian Contract Packet Bowen. will be despatched from Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 24th instant, with Correspondence cannot be Registered after two ago also an extensive central tele-

11.15 a.m. The Mails will be closed at 11.30 a.m. departure.

desired, but as a general rule it is the other. better to send it via Galle. Hongkong, April 8, 1878.

### MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW. Shipping.

for Singapore, &c. 3 p.m. -- Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

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The publication of this issue commenced at 7.50 p.m.

MARRIAGE. Maritime Customs, China, second son of sent moment? the late Richard Edgar, of Edgarstown, to MARY (MINNIE) JANE, older Daughter of the late William Bawtree Matson, and of Mrs Matson, Walpole Lodge, Brighton,

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 1878.

Apropos of this Colony being favoured with the presence of four Formosan "savages," we may observe that the natives of that Island generally are not nearly to savage as they are commonly supposed to be. The more barbarous of them inhabit the mountains of the interior and the eastern side of Formosa, the majority of those living on the western coast being now half civilized and residing quietly with the Chinese settlers. Their chief occupation is hunting, but, unlike the American Indians, they do not live a wandering life and are far from depending upon the proceeds of the chase o'clock, and that there will be Divine Beg. inward French meil from Yokshams loth,

for subsistence. Those of the men who, vice each day next week at 11 in the mornthrough age or infirmity become unfit for the arduous work of hunting, spend their time in the fields, tilling the ground with the women and raising millet and other food for the maintenance of the tribe. The women also weave cloth. That portion of their country which is under culture is said to offer some of the richest sights that one can conceive. Their houses are built either of split bamboo on the model of those of the Japanese country people, or else of slate in a style peculiar to themselves. They believe in a Supreme Being and also, like the Chinese, in the occult influences of nature, but they worship no idols. Civil and polite by nature, they would probably be inclined to hospitably receive strangers had they not been rendered extremely be despatched from Hongkong on suspicious of them by the harsh treatment THURSDAY, the 18th instant, with received at the hands of the Chinese, Mails to and through the United since the expulsion of the Dutch from Kingdom and Europe, vid Mar- the Island in the seventeenth century. scilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Bata- If the Chinese would carry out an extensive scheme of showing these Formosan aborigines a little of the world beyond their own Island, and afterwards allowing opportunity for forwarding Corre- them to go free to mix again with their spondence to E. Africa, the Cape, countrymen, these people could doubtless be speedily led to become as law-abiding and useful inhabitants of the rich and magnificent territory of Formosa as could be desired. Perhaps, indeed, if the Chinese Government persists in making 5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Post the island a corpus vile on which to Office closes except the Night Box, experiment with Western science and inventions, the day will come when the ap18 Chinaman will be comparatively the savage, and the Formosan aboriginal the civilized being. The natives of the western coast are said to be at the present time a fine-featured race and intelligent.

Ir will be seen from a paragraph among our local news that the volunteer corps at Singapore is to be resuscitated. daily contemporary states that a similar movement is on foot in this Colony under the patronage of Mr Hennessy. of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and His Excellency did announce his intention in the course of his speech at St. Joseph's College to revise the volunteer movement here, and we subsequently heard something about the Portuguese enrolling themselves in a corps, but there 11 A.M., when the Post Office Crosss the matter dropped. If it is really intended to resuscitate the volunteer move-(11.80 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) ment here, it seems to us the authorities addressed to the United Kingdom | will do well to "strike while the iron is

THE go-shead natives of the "Land of shuey, or any other superstitious monap20 strosity, to stand in the way of the adoption in their country of the electric telegraph. While the vast empire of China only possesses at the present moment one or two insignificant lines of for Singapore, Somerset, telegraph, Japan can boast of 5000 miles Cooktown, Cleveland Bay, Bowen, of wires in operation; 1000 more in Keppel Bay, Brisbane, Sydney, Tas- course of construction, and no less than mania, New Zealand, and Melbourne. 175 telegraph stations. Only a week or graph building, fitted up with an impos-Supplementary mail received on board ing array of the most modern and with late fee of 18 cents till time of approved telegraphic apparatus, was opened at Tokio, and congratulatory Correspondence for Southern and Western | messages flashed along the imperial lines Australia can be sent by this route if from almost one end of the empire to

The Chief Commissioner of Imperial Telegraphs in Japan has just presented his first report to the public, extending over a period commencing with the projection of the pioneer telegraph line in 3 p.m. -Arratoon Apcar and Moray leave | the country and ending in 1875. It is interesting to learn from this document that it is only about eight and a half years ago since the first telegraph was established in Japan, by the construction of a short line, about 840 yards in length, between two of the Government departments at Yokohama. After the setting up of this, the first line, in the month of September 1869, others were speedily established. In January 1870 a telegraph was erected between Tokio and Yokohama, and later in the same year a line was completed and opened for public traffic between Kobe and Osaka. During 1873 the line from Tokio to Nagasaki, a distance of 870 miles, was completed notwithstanding the difficult nature of the country to be traversed. The native population are said to have been at the outset slightly hostile to the wires, through their not comprehending their nature, but, unlike what has occurred in China, a very short experience of them proved to the Japanese their utility and harmlessness, and now, it is asserted, there is no more hostility against the lines, or ignorance regarding telegraphy, on the part of that singular people than world be found in the rural districts of England. Japan holding the position of the Great British Vicar of Brighton, HENRY EDGAR, Imperial fact, attained to that position at the pre-

# LOUAL AND GENERAL.

Tun delivery of the English Mail was begun at twenty minutes to twelve this morning.

Sixteen Sikh Constables obtained their discharge yesterday with a pension, having completed their service of ten years.

THE Chinese Revenue Cruiser Ling Feng arrived at Hoihow on the 6th April, having left Hongkong for that port on the 26 h of Foothow Jan. 9, Hongkong Jan. 17. The to anchor once or twice on account of loga.

Wm are requested to state that Bishop Burdon will preach in St. Peter's Beamen's Church on Sunday evening next at

ing and 6 in the evening.

THE late American three-masted schooner Rosina, now named with a Chinese name and under the Danish flag, went out from Macao last night and anchored in the outer Roads. She is bound to Cochin-China for a cargo of salt. This vessel was condemned whilst here.

THE steamer Banca, which arrived here (Singapore) this morning March 27th) from Samarang, reports having seen the British of barque Aurica, ashore at First Point, Banca Straits .- Straits Times.

THE terrible whirlwind which is elsewhere described as having visited Canton yesterday afternoon was as unexpected as it was that the Committee on Education and Labour sudden, and seems to have been of such a nature as not only to baffle all description but to upset all our preconceived ideas of the law of storms as developed in South China. One correspondent, in a private letter to a friend, says that during the four or five minutes of its sweep across the City, the tornado undid the work of half-a-century. Shameen is terribly wrecked. Messrs Jardine's house, he says, is all to pieces; while Mr Gepp's, Messrs Arnhold Karberg's and Messrs Pustau's premises are very much knocked about. Huge trees were snapped like pipe-stems. The natives have suffered severely. One gentleman, who had witnessed the great '74 Typhoon at Macao, said that the wind at that desolating time was never so strong as it was when it swept through Canton yesterday afternoon. Many of the foreigners on Shameen are temporarily houseless, and are finding quarters with their more fortunate friends. It is matter for much satisfaction that none of our Shameen friends have suffered personal injury.

THE following is a statement of the military force now in the Far East :-Hongkong.

Royal Artillery ... ... ...

Royal Engineers ... Infantry ... ... ... Gnn Lascars .... Army Hospital Corps ... ... 18 Total ... ... 1,209 STRAITS SETTLEMENTS. Royal Artillery ... Infantry Army Hospital Corps ... Total ... ... 1,022 OEYLON. Royal Artillery ... Army Hospital Corps ... Royal Engineers ...

for the Far East :-

ton, March 7 .- To Hongkong : Major H. S. them, even at a profit on their original cost. Palmer, Mr D. Parke. From Brindist to We may add that the English Government Hongkong: Mr A. R. Hewlett, Mr G. Oliver. sounded the Japanese Embassy as to any ton, March 21.-To Hongkong: Mr J. N. so much from the desire of being purchases Postlethwaite. To Yokohama: Mr & Mrs. | themselves, but to be in a position to offer Wright and child. From Brindisi to Hong- for them should an overture have been made

To Yokohama: Mrs Kuster and two chil- hood of Yesso. dren, Mr R. D. Robison, Mr John Mouat.

from Marseilles, March 24.—To Shanghai : the British. It will be remembered that to Mr & Mrs Rodewald, Mr Edwin Gamman. his exertions the capture of Sultan Ismail To Hongkong: Mr A. Rowe, Mr C. A. Lord. and his following was due: Per Messageries Maritimes str. Yangtezs. from Marseilles, April 21 -To Shanghai : of the China Consular Service, whose health Mr and Mrs N. J. Ede, Miss Rauden.

WE are glad to learn that a movement has to the Bar. He will probably leave for been set afoot to re-organise the Volunteer | China in July. Corps and put it on a more efficient footing than it has been for some years past, February, Mr. Knatchull-Hugessen moved H. E. the Governor is taking a warm in the second reading of the Colonial Marriages terest in the matter, and, at his request, Bill, the object of which is to legitimatise Major Gray has consented to assume the here the issue of marriages with a deceased command. As an old soldier, the services wife's sister, made in the colonies, where of Major Gray will be invaluable, and we such marriages are legal. - Mr. Gregory sincerely trust the movement will be suc- moved the rejection of the Bill on various voured to enforce this duty by his proposed he believed the measure to be part of Militi. Bill, but compulsory service has much larger question-to wit, the legalisaever been distantaful to Englishmen, being tion of marriage with deceased wife's sister considered somewhat incompatible with the in England .- The debate was carried on in On the 20th Feb., at St. Peter's Church, of the East some day appears to be far freedom of English lustitutions, and de- a very thin House by Mr. Heygate, Mr. Brighton, by the Ven. Archdescon Hanna; from chimerical yet. Has she not, in fence, not defiance of aggression, being now Baxter, Sir H. Holland, Mr. Osborne Morthe cardinal principle of English policy, a gan, Earl Percy, Sir T. Chambers, Mr. Volunteer Force is more consonant with Beresford Hope, and Mr. Forsyth. that principle, and in these days of arms of | The Solicitor-General described the meaprecision may be made quite as efficient for sure as an attempt under the guise of doing the purposes wanted as regular trained pro- something for the Colonies to subordinate fessional soldiers. We trust then to learn the law of England to that of its depends acon that every capable resident has sent encies,-The Chancellor of the Exchequer in his name to Major Gray, so that, with also opposed the Bill, on the ground that it its ranks filled up, the Singapore Volunteer did not deal with a practical hardship, and Corps may become once again worthy of its if there was the sentiment of the few to be motto, Frimus in Indis, on other grounds | considered there was also the sentiment of than because it was the first corps formed in India. A similar movement has the patronage of Mr Pope Bennessy in Hongkong. Biraite Times.

(London & China Espiress, Mar. 1.) Latest Mail Advices | - Yokohama - (vid San Francisco) Jan. 12, Shanghai Jan. 11, above, from China and the Straits Settlements, reached London, via Brindisi, on the 23rd ult., two days early, and the Japan advices were received per Occidental and 6 Francisco, on the 18th plt. The next

Shanghai 18th, Hongkong 24th, Singapore 31st Jan., arrived at Marseilles last night, and will reach London to-morrow.

The Foxhound gunboat, en route to the China Station, has been detained at Malta, and ordered to Besika Bay. It is probable that the Falcon, which sailed for China last week, will also be detained for the present

in the Mediterranean. A special steamer Voyage Round the World has been arranged to start on June 30, after visiting the Paris Exhibition, returning in May 1879. Six months and a. half of the time is to be spent in inland

Colonel Dickins, of the 28th (North Gloucestershire) Regiment, assumes the command the troops on the Straits Settlement; This officer's chief service was in the Crimean war, the leading assaults in which, he was present with the 38th (First Staffordshire) Regiment. He was severely wounded, and received for his services medal with three clasps, Turkish medal, and appointed Knight of the Legion of Honour. A telegram from Washington announces

has reported to the House of Representatives in favour of a resolution requesting the President to open a correspondence immediately with the British and Chinese Governments, with the view of restricting the emigration of Chinese to the United States. Falmouth.-Feb. 27, the Dr Petermann Newcastle for Yokohama, has been surveyed,

and ordered to discharge. A terrible story of shipwreck and sullering is related by six of the crew of the Sallie M. Stedman, who were landed at New York on the 11th ult. The vessel ran short of provisions, and for eight days the crew tasted nothing but tobacco and water. Finally, one of the crew, maddened by hunger, killed another a negro. The body was cut up

and eaten by the starving men. The thirteen Chinese seamen who are charged with making a violent attack on a boarding-house keeper, named Lamar, with intent to do him some grievous bodily harm. were again placed in the dook at the Thames police-court on the 26th ult. Chief Inspector M'Donald, of the H. Division, said he had waited upon the Chinese Ambassador, and stated that the magistrate thought it would be best for the men if they were represented by a legal gentleman. The Ambassador said in reply that during the time he had been in this country he had noticed the very fair and impartial way that the magistrates and judges performed their duties, and he did not think therefore that he could do better than leave his countrymen in the hands of his worship. Some further evidence was then taken, and the accused were again remanded for the attendance of Lamar. A solicitor, Mr. May, has undertaken the defence at the request of the Court.

The Army and Navy Gazette says "Dr. Mowll, late Surgeon of the Vigilant, and who will come to England in the Tamar. brings with him a token of esteem for his assistance to the Chinese passengers who were on board the steamer Yesso when her boilers exploded. The Vigilant was near at the time, and immediately rendered every possible assistance, the skill of the doctor amongst the numerous scalded and wounded being particularly valuable. The native population of Hong Kong have in consequence presented Dr. Mowll with a watch

and letter of thanks." Mr. E. I. Reed, M.P. who has designed and equipped three men-of-war for the Japanese Government, lately noticed by us, will, we hear, shortly visit Japan and China. The insinuation contained in last week's Truth, that there is, in England, an unpaid Japanese ironolad -- in plain English, of course, that the Japanese do not intend to pay for their order-is, we are assured. THE following passengers have been booked | wholly incorrect. Indeed, so apparently wrong is this, that the Imperial Government of Japan are highly pleased with their pur-Per P. &O. str. Nepaul, from Southamp- chases, and have no intention of selling Per P. & O. str. Malwa, from Southamp- likelihood of their property being sold-not by Russia, Russia is extremely friendly Per Messageries Maritimes steamer with Japan, and is in a position to ask fa-Iraouaddy, from Marseilles, March 10 .- yours, and to take them, in the neighbour-

We hear that Her Majesty is about to To Shanghai : Mr & Mrs Paromareff, Mrs | confer the Grand Cross of the Order of St. Peblam Aldridge, Mr J. F. Goodfellow, Mr | Michael and St. George upon the King of Alexander Price, Mr J. Wood. Mr Over- | Siam. This announcement will meet with beck, Mr T. F. Ballance, Mr H. Tottie, Mr general approval in the Far East, and we F. S. Deacon, Mr C. Lucas, Mr Findlay. hope will lead to a consideration of the ser-To Hongkong: Lieut. C. C. Cornwall, Mr | vices rendered by the Rajah of Kedah, who and Mrs F. W. Fry, Mr & Mrs T. H. now that his Suzerain has been decorated Damer, Mr D. Jackson, Mr G. H. Town- with the high Order, may with justice receive some token of the respect due to him Per Messageries Maritimes str. Tigre, as an intelligent ruler and a firm friend of

We understand that Mr. A. S. Harvey is now re-established, is keeping the remainder of the terms necessary for his call

in the House of Commons on the 27th

the many that was not to be outraged.

Mr. Knatchbull-Hugesten having replied, the House divided, and the second reading was agreed to by 182 votes against 161. Hamburg, February 20th, Of arrivals from the Far East I have to report the

Bertha, Binge, from Hong Kong, Of departures none are recorded. At Bremen no movement in an easterly direction has the previous month. She had, we believe, P. and O. mail, with the advices dated as taken place. The berth for East India and ing vessels : Livingstone, Masck, for Penang and Singapore : Manila II., Goenner | H. Printzenberg, Schoenemann, and Hamburg. Von Kroge, all three for Hong Kong ; France giska. Burk, for Hiogo and Yokohama : and Ference, s.s., Schultz, for her usual route.

#### CANTON.

#### TERRIBLE TORNADO.

(From a Correspondent.) CANTON, April 12, 1878. The central portion of the settlement of Shameen is a scene of devastation that were hopeless to attempt adequately to depict in words; much less can the contrast be vividly drawn with the charming pioture combining the comforts of family seen many bad typhoons in China and homes with the beauties of Nature and the other parts, but in all my life I never witeleganoles of Art presented on the same favoured spot yesterday afternoon, as I beheld it from the deck of a steamer upon which some friends had embarked for the the city, passing immediately over the North. Descanting as I then did upon its | bridge connecting the north side of Shameen beauties, I shrink from a present recital of with the Canal Road The scene of desothe and revulsion that but twenty hours have wrought upon the community. "But by the Canal side, is past description-"twenty hours!" nay, the havon that is so incomprehensible and awe-inspiring even in its mute elequence, was the work of but twenty seconds of time ! In presence of furiously (Thursday night, 10 o'clock) of the elements, let us hasten to acknow- must be buried there is terrible to think of. ledge the great mercy that none of the for- The sight at the bridge was by far the most eign residents were killed or seriously in shocking. For about seventy yards on jured ;-a mercy, indeed, for that all es- each side the crowded fleet of boats seem to caped seems little short of a miracle. One family of the stricken locality was absent, was heartrending in the extreme. I was not most fortunately, it is said; since their usual sitting room was greatly damaged. with small pieces of wood so densely that But the tales of individual escapes that the water was scarcely visible, and a large will thrill the ears of friends, must this evening give place to the broad features of

a calamity so startling and appalling that

we can only characterize it as one

a tragedy, because beside the desolation

to which we have already alluded, we

But of its instruments and their broad effects, we have now to report; reserving particulars for to-morrow evening. Premising that it became obvious last evening that the S.W. monsoon of the past few days had charged the air with electricity and that at two changes of the tide during | hard to write of it. I have seen more heartthe twenty hours there was a succession of rending sights and more of death this tempestuous equalls, our theory, drawn from previous observation and inquiry regarding meteorological phenomena and from the observation of several persons to-day as well as from existing visible upon Shameen, at the incoming of the tide a Waterspout were distinctly marked by one ed with startling rapidity; as if, like an enormous bird of prey, it was poising in mid-air to swoop down upon its victims.

of trees between Messra Deacon & Co.'s rooting more than half of the inest of them, and sweeping its way through to the houses and godowns in the direction of S.W. at various points between the first and second line of houses before passing to the average breadth of its course being about 600 feet.

godowns seriously demaged or quite demolished :-

Mesars Gibb & Co.'s late residence. Messra Gepp & Co.'s residence and go-

aidence. Mesars Arnhold, Karberg & Co.'s resid-

Mesers Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s re-

godown, demolished. Messra Wm. Pustau & Co.'s residence. Messra Wm. Pastau & Co.'s silk godown,

demolished. Messra Siemssen & Co.'s silk godown, demolished.

Messrs Thomas and Mercer's residence, somewhat injured. Mesara Deacon & Co.'s residence, slightly

injured. from S.W. to N.E.; a few nearly S. to N.

some N. to S.; others about E. to W.

(From an Occasional Correspondent.) CANTON, 11th April.

The morning had been stormy; thunder that pealed without ceasing for sometimes the space of a quarter of an hour. It was just about 3 p.m. when the thunder crashed forth from several quarters of the heavens at once, and then suddenly came such a peculiar rushing, butsing noise as I had never heard before. After listening for a few moments, I went to the door to listen, thinking the Powan had just arrived and had met with some accident to her engines. But a strange sight met me. To the south west was a towering mass of cloud, blabkened apparently with myriads of birds, and moving towards Shameen. I had only just time to close three windows when the air was darkened with leaves and branches of

would fall. In less than two minutes there was a lull, and feeling it safe to go out, I went to the back door and saw such a sight as I hope never to see again. The tornado was marching across the city, a pillar of a cloud, thick with dust and debris. In those two short minutes Shameen and the city were ruined as if they had withstood a long slege. old resident said to me to-night, "I have nessed anything so terrific as to-day." clear line, one hundred and fifty yards in width, seems to have been drawn through levelled to the ground, and a fire blazing have been just knocked to small pieces. there till half an hour after the tornado had passed, but the canal was still covered number of persons were still holding on to ruins of their boats to save their lives. is believed that several hundreds of persons met their death at this spot. It is no use to detail the special cases that have come to my hearing, but it is a sad night for many who are the sole survivors of a whole of Nature's most ruthless tragedies, boatful of relatives. Tong-cheong is dead, the amiable and portly tailor, who has been a favourite with foreigners for 18 years, and already hear of the loss of several native | ten of his assistants are said to be buried with him under the ruins of his house, The Chinese shops for foreign stores are almost totally destroyed. Others will doubtless tell you of the terrible havos on Shameen. Perhaps it is safe to say that one third of the trees are destroyed, and those of course the finest ones. It will take twenty years for the beautiful settlement to recover the position and reputation it has so deservedly enjoyed. But it is

The tornado passed over Fati, Shameen Thus it struck down upon the bund line | mission houses in the City are injured; and residence and the British Consulate, up- Shameen are utterly uninhabitable, and several will have to be rebuilt from the

By the courtesy of the Officers of the to N.E., left traces of its whirling character steamer Powan we learn that the catastrophe occurred about half an hour before they arrived (say quarter to 3 o'clock) Lots of sampans were lifted completely out creek and Chinese shops in the rear; the of the water, and capsized. During the progress of the tornado vivid flashes of lightning were seen and a heavy thunder-storm, accompanied with rain, burst over the The following are the houses and silk city. It appears to have worked its way through the city in a zigzag manner, carrying everything before it. The people on board the guard boats were observed cutting the air with their swords and firing guns to scarce away the evil one. It is said that hail-stones fell, measuring 2 inches by three quarters of an inch; and however improbable this may appear we are assured on reliable authority that it is correct. Two fires occurred at the same time, and one was still burning when the I owan left this morning. From Chinese sources we learn that about 2,000 Chinese Messrs Arnhold, Karberg & Co.'s silk have lost their lives, and a very much larger number have been injured. Such a catastrophe has never been known to occur before in the memory of the oldest inhabit-

> Police Intelligence. (Both Magistrates Sitting.) April 12, 1878.

ASSAULT. Joseph Weish, a seaman belonging to the American barque Frank Marion, was Fully 100 trees have fallen, some lying charged with committing an unprovoked assault on Captain Eldridge, the master of the vessel. By the complainant's evidence it appears that the defendant came on shore to see the U. S. Constil. He then met the Captain and asked for some money, which was refused. He followed him as far as Wellington Street, when the prisoner pulled the Captain, who is a cripple, out of his chair, fearing his clothes and struck him, knocking out one of his teeth. The chaircoolie who was carrying the presecutor corroborated the Captain's statement. - Dr Lochhead proved dressing the prosscutor's wound, and said that he had lost a tooth. -The Magistrates sentenced the defendant to seven months' imprisonment, with hard

> SUPREME COURT. IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

(Before His Lordship the Acting Chief Justipe, the Hon. F. Snowpen.) Aptil 12, 1878:

Huffam, Official Assignes v. Spratt. His Lordship delivered the following judgment:-This was a suit instituted by began to break in all directions, and I stood | claimed about \$35,000 from Mosers Spratt

liability for various reasons, amongst others of \$400 in September, 1874. He then told claiming a set-off for penalties \$10,000, and Leong Cho Kum that he had put the money for work and labour \$26,782.58. The mat- in the dock and asked for advances. Leong ters in difference between the parties were Cho Kum said yes, if I would make out for referred to the arbitration of the Hon. J. Price, the Surveyor-General, by an order of wrote one out himself. " He says "I deposited the Supreme Court in Original Jurisdiction | the assignment as security for the loan." on the 4th day of August, 1876. By his award, dated October 20th, 1877, the arbi- with some other persons in a stationery trator found that a sum of \$13,817.70 was | business. Leong Cho Kum, who lived prindue to the estate of Fung Ming Cheong. Before the sum was paid to the estate notice | cisco in paper goods which he bought at of motion was served on the plaintiff January | the bankrupt's shop called the Kwong Su-30th, 1878, to show cause why the order From time to time he was in the habit making Mr Price's award an order of court, to use, the arrangement being that 11 per should not be carried into effect, and the cent. per month was paid for the use of it sum of money standing to the credit of the the bankrupt says he got 45 per cent. lation, as it appears from the top of a house Official Assignee at the hearing of the motion | the bankrupt had advanced to the con-Indeed, it baffles not words alone, but Spratt, and also for the other parties, who advance made before he was informed how suit and of the arbitration, the latter not to remaining after payment of these costs to Mr Brereton as solicitor for Leong Cho Kum. The matter being arranged by the consent of the solicitors for the parties the validity award of Mr Price. The object of the I receive mine." I assented, and lent him motion was to make the whole fund formed then \$2,000 more. I wanted him, the witness by these two sums chargeable with the costs, says, "to put all the amount in this docuand not only the sum which had been paid into court and to which alone my order of him have any more money. Then he con-November 23rd, 1877, applied. After hearing the motion of the 10th December, 1877, November 29th, 1878. A month after the Court made an order which is embodied in a decree to the effect that without preju- of \$2,000. Then he says I demanded paydice to the order of November 23rd, 1877, ment. He said that the dock was not done and the rights of either party to apply to and wanted \$8,500 more. I gave him a good set aside or vary it, that the motion should stand over, and that Leong Cho Kum claim- | September, 1874, I had lent him \$22,500." ing to be entitled to the funds in court In March, 1875, the assignment was under an assignment dated March 24th, made: the recitals in the document confirm 1875, made between him and the bankrupt, this, and it is pretty clear therefore that and the Western suburbs of the City. A purporting to secure \$22,500, and the other the account of their affairs supplied to Mr passenger on board the Canton steamer says: | two assignees, Fong Leong and Wong Chuen | Wotton, who prepared the assignment, by We saw it as we were going in, and Fong, claiming to be entitled to \$3,325 and | the bankrupt and Foong Ming Cheong in Captain Cary called it a water-spout. It \$3,000 respectively, under like assignments | March, 1875, coincided with these present indications, is, that a Tornado, bearing on has left a path about 300 to 500 yards dated the 14th April, 1875, and 16th June, statements. This assignment (B Ex) recites its crest a huge Waterspout, burst and fell broad of complete devastation. Thousands 1875, in priority to the claim of the official a debt due to Leong Cho Kum of \$22,500, of people must have been killed instantane- assignee, should be at liberty to apply by and money due under the agreement be-The eastern motion for payment of the said fund as | tween the bankrupt, Spratt & Co., and this p.m. The form and spiral action of and western houses of Shameen are unin- they should be advised. Application was Wing Shing, of about \$50,000. It can jured, except a few panes of glass, while made by motion dated the 22nd January scarcely be said that bankruptoy was then the outside plaster of some is chopped as if ultimo that the \$13,817 should be paid out. coutempiated, and the small amount ultimgentleman for some minutes as it approach. a gang of coolies had been fighting with of court to Leong Cho Kum. The learn- ately awarded to the bankrupt under the brick-bats and bamboos against it. . . ed Attorney-General appeared for the arbitration of Mr Price was at that time The Canal above and below the Bridge was claimant, and Mr. Hallyar for the official As- beyond all calculation. I will only add chock-full of wreck, with dead boat-people signee. The order of November 23rd having that Mr Wotton had the management of under it and mixed with it. None of the been made with consent of the solicitors for the business, which is a guarantee that the only one foreigner is hurt, and that but | these assignments having been admitted | documents are concerned, was quite bond slightly. Nearly one-half of the houses on by the plaintiff's solicitor, it seems to me fide. If the arrangement was collusive the have given, but by which he is bound.

> The proceedings in this case being somewhat complicated, I have thought it right to prefix a history of them, which does not affect the main question to be decided. With respect to the \$1,717, for the payment which an order was made by consent, I hold that order to be binding on the parties. The question next to be decided is as to the second sum of \$13,817.70 paid into court under the award-Does it belong to the official assignee of the bankrupt's estate? does it go to the claimant Leong Cho Kum under an assignment of a debt due from Spratt and others for building the Cosmonolitan Dock, of which assignment they had notice, the bankrupt having taken over the isanactof bankruptcy and void, as a general contract from the original contractors, Wing Shing and others? Mr Hallyar contends on behalf of the official assignes that the assignment was a fraudulent preference on the grounds that it was: 1st-An assignment of the whole of the banktupt's property to scoure an antecedent debt and was not made in consideration of a present advance. 2nd-That it was a fraud as of assignment have been held invalid. being a collusive arrangement between himself and Leong Cho Kum, who was the person in fact who took over the contract from Wing Shing, the bankrupt Fong Ming Cheong being merely the ostensible lender. The bankrupt and Leong Cho Kum were closely cross-examined by Mr Hallvar as to the circumstances under which the assign. ment was made, but I must say were not shaken in any material point, though Leong Cho Kum's denial of any knowledge of the original contract is hard to believe. bankrupt says that it was after he had rowed of Leong Oho Kum the \$400 in September, 1674, that he took an assignment of the original contract from Wing Shing. This must be an error, as the assignment was made by an agreement dated 21st of August, 1878. It sets out that in consideration of Foong Ming Cheung advancing money to complete the dock to an amount not exceeding the balance \$110,000 remaining unpaid, less penalties and deductions, Wing Shing assigned to him the whole amount of the contract sum of \$110,000 then remaining due or unpaid What the amount was has never so far as 1

expecting momentarily that the house for the construction of the Cosmopolitan to Leong Cho Kum at first, and only told bankruptcy law; but the circumstances Dock. The sum of \$1,717.42 was paid into him where he had invested the money al- under which the assignment was made court by the defendants, who denied further | ready borrowed three months after the loan | forbid the notion, or the facts are really as him a written document. The bankrupt seems that the bankrupt was in partnership cipally near Macao, traded with San Franof the court dated November 23rd, 1877, of letting the bankrupt have money cause should not be paid to Mr Brereton as to 8th July, 1873, Leong Cho Kum had solicitor for Leong Cho Kum, Foong Leong, lent him on these terms \$4,600, beginning and Wing Chuen Foong. The only sum from March, 1872. He had borrowed standing to the credit of the cause at this about \$8,700 from other people before and time was the \$1,717 paid into court. The lafter September 11th. Some of this money appeared by his solicitor, Mr Holmes, and tractor for the dock, but of this Leong Cho Mr Brereton appear on behalf of Messrs Kum swears he was ignorant. The last thought. Over a wide area the houses are claimed under separate assignments moneys the money was invested was on the 11th payable by Messra Spratt to the bankrupt. September, 1874, when \$400 were lent. by consent of the parties, although it is Three months after this the bankrupt says Power. Reouf Pacha has had audience of not so expressed, I made an order, dated he told him about the dock and that he had his Imperial Majesty the Czar, at which he remittance of seventeen millions. this phenomenal manifestation of the power amid the ruins. The number of dead that November 23rd, 1877, that the Registrar lent the contractor money for no fixed time was received with great ceremony. It is should, out of the fund in court to the and without security. In July, 1873, he reported that he asks that Varna should six millions net. credit of the cause (The Official Assignee says, he first began to talk to the contrac. be restored to Turkey. Typhus fever is v. W. B. Spratt and another), pay the tor Wing Shing, about assigning to him the raging at Adrianople and Phillipopolis, and taxed costs of the plaintiff's solicitor in the contract, and it was duly assigned on August 21st, 1873, and notice given to exceed \$125, and to pay over the balance Spratt and Co. Shortly after he seems to have conducted the making of the dock himself up to April 2nd, 1875, when he handed the work over to Tung Kwong. Leong Cho Kum confirms this account—if of the assignments was admitted, and it was | we make the necessary allowance for the with much surprise I found that a notice of | habitual inaccuracy of Chinese witnessesmotion was given by the plaintiff, the Offi- with tolerable accuracy. He distinctly cial Assignee, on the 10th of December, states that the assignment was made on 1877, calling on defendants to show cause strong pressure. He had been kept in why they should not pay all costs of the ignorance of the investments of the bankplaintiff, and \$125 costs of the arbitration, rupt, and when he demanded payment was and why the plaintiffs' costs, including the told that until the dock was finished paycosts of the motion, should not be paid out ment could not be had. The evidence is as of the moneys paid into court in that suit. follows :- Foong Ming Cheong being press-The fund in court at this time consisted of | ed said "I will go to a lawyer with you and the \$1,717 paid into court by the defendants, make a written document to make you and another sum of \$13,817 paid under the receive all your money from the dock before

ment. He refused, and I would not let

sented, and I advanced \$2,800; this was on

scolding and lent him the money. Up to

there was another advance of \$2,500.

the parties to this suit, and the validity of transaction, so far at any rate as the legal almost contrary to bond fides that any at- parties must have gone to their solicitor tempt should be subsequently made to vary tutored by some one else well versed in the or upset it, and it must stand so far as the requirements of English Law. Leong Cho \$1,717 are concerned. The costs of the Rum is closely cross-examined as I have arbitration were by the order of reference to remarked, before. He denies ever seeing be awarded by the court, and had applica- the agreement before, though it is recited tion been made it is possible that the costs in his assignment and the bankrupt would have been thrown on the defendants, says was deposited. He says that he Messrs Spratt. It is said the official as- did not know of the bankrupt's connecsignee had no right to give away part of the tion with the Dock Company before the bankrupt's estate divisible amongst the time he mentions. Except as a test of creditors. This, however, depends on the credit this does not seem to me very matevalidity of Leong Cho Kum's deed of as- rial-unless there is further evidence that signment which would absorb the whole of the whole arrangement between the bankthe two funds. If it is good, his solicitor rupt and Leong Cho Kum was collusive. had a right to consent that the costs should | think it is quite clear that Fung Ming be paid out of his money; if it is bad and Cheong was deceiving him because he had the whole of his two funds goes to the received from Mesars Spratt up to March bankrupts' creditors, then the official as- 25th, 1874, in goods and cash \$87,331.50, signee has given a consent he ought not to and on April 11th he received \$5,000 more, whereas he constantly assured Leong Cho Kum that he could not get any money before the dock was finished. The recital. however, in the assignment, that about \$50,000 were due under the contract, was not incorrect. Mr Hayllar argued that this was an assignment of the whole of the bankrupt's remaining interest, and therefore was void. As the result has turned out, it was the whole; as at that time it was expected to turn out, it was not the whole. The arbitration and its result no one could foresee. There are numerous authorities which lay down that the assignment of the whole or the greater part of a trader's estate to secure an antecedent debt proposition; but they vary very much, and it is hardly possible. I think, to reconcile them. But the severity of earlier decisions has been much mitigated. After referring to the cases cited, his Lordship concluded -Moreover, there is another important reply, but unless she accepts England's difference between this and the majority, terms, his lordship said there had better be China Traders' Ins. Co., 21,250 at any rate, of the cases cited where deeds They generally contain a power to seize the whole of the debtor's property on demand of payment. In the case before us there is no such thing, but merely an authority is given to Spratt and Co., to pay to Leong The Kum money as it becomes due under the contract. The advances for which the assignment was made had, so far as we know, been expended by the debtor paying for wages and material in carrying out the works. There was another ground for supporting this assignment mentioned by the learned Attorney-General which I think is good ! it was an appropriation of a specific fund, and this would take it out of the hands of the Official Assignee. It seems to me, then, that this assignment much be supported, as I find that it was not made in contemplation of bankruptcy; nor with the intention to delay and defeat creditors por was it an amigument of all or the greater part of the bankrupt's property. Though it was made partly in consideration of an antecedent debt, there was a previous agreement made upon pressure to assign the debt and advances subsequent to the verbal agreement. The whole thing may the trees and broken tiles. My windows the bankruptcy of Fung Ming Cheong, who know, been actually determined. The bankruptcy of Fung Ming Cheong, who know, been actually determined. The bankruptcy of Fung Ming Cheong, who rupt says that he did not mention the dock concooled by some one well versed in for productive works.

stated by the bankrupt and Leong Cho Kum, as I prefer to believe. It is a very common arrangement for one Chinaman who trusts another to let him have large sums of money without security to use. He becomes what is well known as the capitalist—a part usually, I fear, attended with disastrous results when works are undertaken under contracts with foreigners. -Judgment for defendants, question of conta reserved.

#### ARRIVAL OF THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The steamer State of Alabama, bringing on the Nizam's mails, which include London dates to the 1st March, arrived here this

TELEGRAMS.

(Straits Times Extra.)

London, March 17 .- The Pall Mall Gazette states the Pope has ordered the withdrawn. The balances will be reduced Italian Bishops to legalize their positions one and a half millions, closing at thirteen and ask their Exequatur. This means a millions. In India probably two and a tacit acceptance of the loss of the Temporal much sickness prevails at Erzeroum and Constantinople.

London, March 18 .- Ratifications of Treaty of Peace between Russia and Turkey | are abolished (loss £155,000) in anticipation were exchanged at Saint Petersburg on the of the early removal of the customs line. 17th. The conditions were published im- The Import duties on raw cotton and coarse mediately afterwards, and communicated to goods are also abolished (entailing a loss of the Powers.

It is reported that serious negotiations twenty-seven other tariff heads £54.000. are proceeding between the Austrian Minister for Foreign Affairs and the British England and Austria, and that if they fail Count Andrassy will resign. A Russian army has crossed the river

beyond San Stefano and has occupied villages close to Makrikos. The Russians have arrived close to Bu- continue highly satisfactory.

yukdere despite the Porte dissenting to a Russian occupation.

up about the city.

Rentes, 1101. Bar Silver, 541 at #. Four ancial regularity. per cents, 822. Five and half per cents. Exchange on India is 8ft. 7 lb. as follows:-Shirtings 5s. 9d. 81 lb. Shirtings 6s. 101d. from Tirnova. The Servian army corps,

vian Government remains passive. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, replying to a question, said the British Government are perfectly justified under the present Constantinople.

forces in China and the Straits.

Obituary.—General Sir Philip Guy. Russians are concentrating troops on the Russo-Austrian frontier. The Russians wish to embark homewards at Boyukdere. ments, naval stores, not otherwise provided The Porte, however, objects and offers faci- for in schedule, oils, oil and floor-cloth. lities for embarking at San Stefanos and wall paper, piece goods made of jute, pipes

In the House of Commons last night! the Chancellor of the Exchequer (Sir Stafford Northcote), in reply to a question, said that if an agreement was come to respecting what England required of Russia, viz., that all the conditions of peace should be submitted, the Congress may meet at the end of March.

Mr O'Donnell moved that the native Indian press law was subversive of the English constitution and must be submitted to the House of Commons. Lord George Hamilton (under-Secretary of State for India) defended the object of the Indian Government, which was to mitigate the severity of the existing law and facilitate the repression of sedition. He promised to submit the law when received. The motion was withdrawn.

London, Mar. 20 .- The Czar has refused to reduce the Turkish indemnity, which is fixed at three hundred millions of roubles (about £42,000,000).

London, Mar. 21,—Hobart Pasha has opened negotiations with the insurgents of Thesealy, and it is reported that he has offered them autonomy. Aden, Mar. 21 .- The Gwalior, with the

London mails of the 8th March, sailed for Bombay last night. London, Mar. 21 .- Russia declines to lav the treaty of peace on the table at the

European Congress, as demanded by England, though admitting that the plenipotentiaries may discuss clauses. London, Mar. 21. - In the House of Lords

this evening, Lord Derby said that England had not demanded the admission of Greece to the European Congress on the same footing as the Guaranteeing Powers, but had only asked that she should have s hearing at the Congress. The demand made by the British Government that al the peace ounditions should be submitted to the Congress was, he thought, moderate and reasonable. Russia had not yet sent a no Congress.

Rome, Mar. 21 .- Signor Cairoli has been appointed President of the Italian Council of Ministers, and has succeeded, after great difficulty, in forming a new Cabinet with Count Corti as Foreign Minister and Bruzz as Minister for War.

St. Petersburg, Mar. 22 - The official Russian Gasette publishes the conditions of the treaty of peace, which are identical with those already published by Reuter's office. The Servian troops have evacuated and the Russian troops have occupied Pranta. It is semi-officially stated here that since England persists in her demands relative to the conditions of peace the chances of the Congress meeting are decreased.

THE INDIAN BUDGET. Calcutta, 1-18 A.M. March 19 .- The Financial Statement of the Indian Government is published in the Gazette. It could not be brought before the Legislative Council, legislation not being required.

The accounts for 1876-77 show Ordinary expenditure ... Loss by famine ... £ 2 182,776 Deficit iii iii £ 8,009,268 exclusive of

The regular estimates for 1877-78 show: £56,310,900 Revenue ... Ordinary expenditure £62,113,000 £ 6,500,000 Loss by famine ... Deficit £ 8,431,000 £ 4,877,000 exclusive of for productive works. The surplus on ordinary

accounts excluding famine £ 3,069,000. The net amount borrowed £ 8,620,000 in 1877-78 was Half a million was lent to Mysore and half a million to Gwalior for famine expen-

lions (£14,750,000). The Budget estimates for 1878-79 include 22 millions (£2,750,000) provincial rates and taxes bitherto shown separately, thus giving the whole public revenue and expenditure :--

diture, closing balances in India 142 mil-

Revenue £63,250, 00, new famine taxation gross £1,200,000, arrears land revenue £67,000, ordinary expenditure £60,094,000 (sic) of which £500,000 on famine in Madras, surplus £2,156,000, excluding £4,555,000 for productive works, £600,000 required for loans to native states and elsewhere. guaranteed Railway capital half millions will be borrowed.

The loss by exchange is £3,000,000 on The revenue from opium is estimated at

The Malwa crop was short. No fresh taxation is proposed beyond the January arrangements, which are calculated to yield the Imperial treasury in 1878-79 a net £1,160,000. The inland sugar duties £28,000) and there is also sacrificed under

A great improvement is recorded in the financial position of the guaranteed rail-Embassy at Vienna, for an alliance between | ways. The net earnings in 1877-78 cover all interest, and the surplus provides the full amount of famine insurance (£1,500,000) according to recent pledges.

> The policy of extending provincial responsibility is re-affirmed, and the results

An important minute by the Vicercy is published with the budget relative to the Great excitement prevails in Constantino- | active prosecution of railway and irrigation ple, and seditious placards have been posted | works for the prevention of famine through the agency of local Governments with ample London, Mar. 15.—Consols, 951. French | precautions for securing economy and fine

The list of tariff heads freed from duty is

Brushes, building and London, Mar. 18. - Twenty-five thousand | materials, cabinet ware and furniture. Russian troops have arrived at Ichataldja caudles, canes, rattans, articles made of cane and rattan and basket work, carriages | wishing to protest against the peace condi- and component parts thereof, chemical tions, have reoccupied Waangt, which they products and preparations, coir and articles made of coir, cordage and rope made of refuse to evacuate unless forced. The Servegetable fibre, raw cotton and the following cotton; grey piece goods if containing no yarn finer than thirties, namely the cloths under 18, reeds, jeans, domestic circumstances in retaining the fleet near | sheetings, and drills, mule twist number 32 and lower numbers, water twist number 20 Major-Meneral Donovan succeeds Sir F. and lower numbers, flax and articles made Colborne as Commander-in-Chief of the of flax, fruit and vegetables, hemp and articles made of hemp, hides and akins, instruments and apparatus except musical London, Mar. 20. -- It is reported that the | leather and articles made of leather including boots and shoes, harness, saddlery military and other uniforms and accountreand other implements used in the consumption of tobacco, pitch, tar, dammer, railway materials, seeds, soap and toliet requisites not otherwise named in the

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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongagag, Ostober 14, 1868;

# "Werchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour."

tab oilt ad armon late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloong shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked o., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works. 3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office. 4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf. 6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard. 7. From Naval Yard to the Pier. 8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	9 6	Captain.	Flag an Rig.	Tons	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers Argyli	5 0	Scott	Brit. s	r 1971	April	l Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Arratoon Apcar	5 0	Mactavish	Brit, s	r. 1392	April	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	
Bombay Camoes.	2 b	Lid and who had	level a -			2 Kwok Acheong 2 Kwok Acheong	attenti misti mai	raid nb
Compuest	4 b	Scott	Brit. s	r. 817	April 1	Kwong Lee Yuen	Hollow & Haiphong	
Dago Fatchoy	8 h	Haddeck	1 -1	r. 1250 r. 153		Meyer & Co. G. McBain	Nilgata	T.O-GBA
Gaolio	3 B	Kidley	Brit. s	r. 1712	Mar. 2	9 O. & O. S. S. Co.	Y'hama & S. F'claco	To morrow
Karo	40	Donaldson				Jardine, Matheson & Co. Meyer & Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Keinchow	2 h	Green	1 -1 1	I.		Kwok Acheong		(3)
Kwangtung	1.1.	Punchard			April	B Douglas Lapraik & Co.	1.	K'loon Dock Cos'tan Dock
Mecca	4 b		land a.			Landstein & Co. Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	To-morrow
Norna	2 h	Walker	Brit, s	r. 606	april 10	Kwok Acheong	Swatow	To-morrow
Pacific Panay	4 0	Govenechea	11	r. 69 r. 500		Remedios & Co.		Sanda' Slip
Parsee	5 C	Sergent'	Brit s	r. 1014	April	Melchers & Co.	Salgon	na ve-risis
Radnorshire		Thomson		4 4 4		3 H. Kiær & Co. 2 Jardine, Matheson & Co.	The stay we will.	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Sunda	5 0	Reeves	Brit. s	r. 1076	April 1	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Shanghal	at daylight
Thales Tackya Yeen Byan				r. 480	Mar. 2	Donglas Lapralk & Co. 2 Captain	S'apore and Penang	in The Page
Yesso.	5 h	8. Ashton	Brit. s	r. 559	April 1	i Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Coast Ports	14th, dayligh
Yottung.				7.7.0		Kwok Acheong	Halphong	សង្ឃមួស <b>ភ្</b> ពី
Zamboanga			SPAD.	r. 651	April 1	1 Landstein & Co.	Helphong	er grant in
Sailing Vessels	10.1	to Chicago		: 1 ha	30 17 te	and the first few first fine for the	the bearing week	and the second
Anna Sieben	4 2	Paulsen	Ger, b	e. 867	Mar. 2	8 Arnhold, Karberg & Co. 5 Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Antioch	8 c	Seymour	Amer. be	e. 646	April	5 Chinese		A. S. Carrier
B. F. Watson Bianca Pertica	3 0	Hawkins	Amer. be	e. 998		l Thos. Howard & Co.	San Francisco	Some I garage
Black Prince	8 0	inglis	Brit.	h 750	April	2 Turner & Co.	r in with Albert argua	
Bus Pan	2 h	Moller	Siam.	h. 574	April	5 Kin-tye-loong		1.8-10.46-60.31
Conchita	0 K	Arias	Shan, h	b. 1506		6 Captain 4 Remedios & Co.	Manlia	The state of the s
Cordoriane	2 c	Bertand	Fch. be	e. 459	April	d Carlowitz & Co.		
Crusader	4 k	Gorham	Brit.	h. 1199	Feb. 1	8 Meyer & Co. 4 Captain		1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Devana	. 7. c	May	Brit. be	e. 795	April	9 Melchers & Co.		
Elcano	2 0	Barmby	Amer.	h. 1181		6 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	London	
Elise Eme	2 0	Asale	Brit. be	g. 778	Mar. 3	0 Wieler & Co. 6 Melchers & Co.		Transact ment
Empire	8 c	Leckie	Amer.	h. 1180	Feb. 2	1 Messageries Maritimes		
Florence Nightingale	2 0	Braithwaite	Brit, b			Arnhold, Karberg & Co. S Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Newcastle	
Frank Marion	7 0	Eldridge	Amer, be	e. 678	April	Meyer & Co.		S 3 4 3 4 8 8 6 6 6
Freeman Clark	4 0	Dwight	Automotive and the		Jan, 1	9 Vogei, Hagedorn & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	************
Globe Goodell	7 6	French	Amer. b	a. 840	April	8 Meyer & Co. 4 Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Japan.	K'loon Dock
Great Admiral	4 1	Thompson	Amer.	h. 1676	App. 1	9 Russell & Co.		The state of
Hark Away	4 0	Volcoerdsen		e. 778 e. 872	Feb. 1	2 Russell & Co. 1 Wieler & Co.	June of the state of the state of	A STILL CAN
Jean Pierre	N.C.	Legasse	Foh be	e. 607	Mar. 1	5 Carlowitz & Co.	Bangkok	Costan Doel
Kalaja	4 0	Rocs	Russ. be	690	Jan. 1	2 Eduard Schellhars & Co. — 1 Chinese	Batavia	Oleared
Kim Yung Tye Ladago	3 0	Pierce		h. 866		BOaptain	Proposition of the	A Charles and
Leonis	. 2 0	Richard	Fch. be	e 484	Mar. 8	1 Carlowitz & Co.	Mantung	
Maria Ravano Maria Charlotte	9 0	Mehonas	market and the second of the second	e. 874 e. 880	Mar. 2	Thos. Howard & Co.	Manila Caliao di Valparaiso	Cleared
Marie Louise	. 2 k	Guiboux	Fch. be	e. 425	Mar. 8	Carlowitz & Co.	Quinhon	The Carrie
Marquis of Argyle Michael Selchau	2 h	Geraten berg	Dan b			8 Rozario & Co. 2 Order	Kamput	of the free fines
Mosquito	. 5 k	Miles	Brit.	g. 197	Feb.	6 Olyphant & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
North Star		Thomson	Brit. bo	e, 695		4 Adamson, Bell & Co. 8 Russell & Co.	San Francisco	and the distriction
P. J. Carleton	4 0	Amshury	Amer. be	e. 986	Feb. 2	8 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Paradles	4 0	Thuro	Ger. be	e. 846	Mar. B	I Siemssen & Co.	Bangkok	The state of the s
Phillip Fitzpatrick Princess Saraphi	2 h	Минећан	Siam. be	e. 454		7 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. 0 Carlowitz & Co.		
Quickstep	3 c	Barnaby	Amer. be	e. 826	Jan.	4 Russell & Co.	Victoria (V. L.)	
Samar	3 0	Durand	Feh. bo			3 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. 5 Captain	The Mary Strain	
Star of India	.3 k	Holloway	Brit, be	e. 1040	Feb. 1	4 Olyphant & Co.		The state of the
Sumatra Teodora	3 k	Clough	Amer.	h. 1090		Russell & Co. Russell & Co.	New York Manile	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Thomas Fletcher	. 8 c	Pendleton	Amer. bo	e. 648	April	3 Kin Nam	All Part Vinder	m Markey and
Titan	10.15	Berry	Amer.	H. 1270	Feb.	Russell & Co.		Costan Doel
Villa de Rivadabia Wega	4 6	Jachens.	Ger	201	Mar	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Yloilo New York	t frijsk dos
Wildwood	8 0	Herriman	Amer			Russell & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
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Gustav		Wilcox Johannsen		g. 240	April	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Tientain	
Clinerva		Peacock	Brit. 6	r. 1025	April 1	2 Siemssen & Co.		
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CANTON Chinkiang		Committee to be a second		1	17.00		s spanie w to the	politica and the
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# Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

3	Vessel's Name.	Anchor-	Flag.	Olass.	Tons.	Guns.	Н. Р.	Date of Arrival.	Commander,
	Albatross Armide Chi On Curlew Growler Lapwing Mecanee Swinger Victor Emanuel Vigilant	6 h 5 k 6 h 6 6	German French Chinese British British British British British British British	corvette iron-clad corvette gun vessel gun vessel gun vessel military hospital gun vessel Commodore's flag-ship despatch vessel	600 8920 1000 774 464 774 2591 408 8087 856	4 10 7 3 4 3  2 14 2	150 160 120 160 60	April 6 April 6 April 6 Feb. 21 Feb. 21 Mar. 28 April 1 Jan. 29	Mensing D. Labarriere Lew Buch W. McF. Castle C. E. D. Willoox W. G. Scots O. P. Tudor Commodore Watson LtCom. Annesley

FOODHOW SHIPPING IN PORT.	MERCHAN	P STRAMERS.	MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.		
April 6, 1878.	Kiang-platt	Chinese	Commerce	American barque	
MERCHANT SAILING VESSEL	Kiang-wae	Chinese	Coriolanus	British ship	
Johanna Kremer German schooner	Klang-yuen	Chinese	Endymion	for London	
HEN-OF-WAR	Lily	British	G. T. Ray	for New York	
Moorhen H. M. gunboat	Newchwang	British	Hecla	British barque	
	Peiho	French -	John Harvey	for New York	
	Taku	British	Joyce Phillips	British barque	
SHIPPING IN SHANGHAI HARBOUR.	Ta-yue-fung	American	Klutoau	Light-vessol	
April 5, 1878.	Thingvalla .	Danish	Kolga	German barque	
MEBOHART STRAMEES,	Tokio Maru	Japanese	Maid Marian	British barque	
Anchises British	Tunsin	British	Navesink	American barque	
*Chinklang British	Yungning	Chinese	Norman Court	British ship	
Galley of Lorns British		vessels.	Pacific Slope	British barque	
Geelong British	Agnes Muir	British ship	Rutlandshire	British barque	
Gleneagies British	Ambassador	British barque	Titania	British ship	
Hae-san Chinese	Androklos	German barque		-07-WAB.	
Hac-shin Chinese	B. Aymar	American barque	Aleri	U. S. corvetts	
Hankow (McQueen) British	Canon Harrison	British barque	Ashuelot	U. S. corrette	
Honan	Carnaryonahire	British barque	Cyclop	German gunbost	
Rashgar British	Chihaya Maru	Japanese barque	Lily	H. M. gunbost	
Klang-kwan Chinese	Ching Tah	Chinese barque	Monocscy	U. B. cozvetta	
	Chocorna	American solp	Palos	U. S. gunboat	
* Since left port, or arrived at Hongkong.	Christian	German sobooner	Thistle	H. M. gun-vessel	

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